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### **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the office action dated 04/05/2006. Please amend the above identified application for patent as follows:

### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.